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STADIS TEL AVIV FOR AMBASSADOR

FOLLOWING REPEAT TEHRAN 7423 ACTION SECSTATE 21 AUG 77

QUOTE

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FOR ATHERTON AND LEWIS FROM SULLIVAN

E.O.11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, IR, IS, US

SUBJ: ISRAEL/IRAN ARMS COPRODUCTION

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1. GENERAL TOUFANIAN TELEPHONED ME MORNING AUG 21 TO ASK
WHETHER I HAD RECEIVED GUIDANCE FROM SECRETARY ON ISRAELI
CO-PRODUCTION PROJECT. I INFORMED HIM THAT MATTER HAD
BEEN REFERRED TO TEL AVIV FOR MORE DETAILED INFORMATION
CONCERNING ISRAELI INTENTIONS.

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2. TOUFANIAN THEN ASKED WHETHER HE COULD TELL SHAH THAT,
IF WEAPONS SYSTEMS INVOLVED NO RPT NO U.S. COMPONENTS,
WE WOULD HAVE NO RPT NO OBJECTION TO CO-PRODUCTION
BECAUSE THAT WOULD FALL WITHIN OUR AGREEMENT "IN PRINCIPLE."
I TOLD TOUFANIAN THAT MY INSTRUCTIONS DID NOT RPT NOT
EXTEND TO SUCH A CONCLUSION. I SAID THAT WASHINGTON WAS

AWAITING A REPLY FROM TEL AVIV BEFORE GIVING ME ANY
FURTHER GUIDANCE.

3. TOUFANIAN POINTED OUT THAT SHAH WAS LEAVING FOR NINE-DAY
TRIP TOMORROW MORNING AND, "IN PRINCIPLE," HAD TO MAKE DECISION
BEFORE HE GOES. HE URGED ME TO SEEK GUIDANCE DURING COURSE
OF TODAY. I SAID I WOULD TRY, BUT HELD OUT NO SUCH ASSURANCES.

4. DEPT PLEASE REPEAT TO TEL AVIV FOR AMBASSADOR LEWIS.
SULLIVAN
UNQUOTE CHRISTOPHER".

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